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## TIDAL WAVE AT KOHALA

CAPTAIN MOSHER BRINGS IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

Letter Said to have Reached Mahukona A Day After it Reached Kailua—Felt At Kukuhaele.

Later reports from Hawaii of the tidal wave were brought by the steamer Ke Au Hou this morning. The Ke Au Hou did not touch the western coast but according to the information which Captain Mosher received while at Kukuhaele, the tidal wave appears to have reached Mahukona and was evidently general along the Kohala coast. The rush of water at Mahukona did not occur until last Saturday, a day later than it was observed along the Kona coast. This circumstance seems quite odd. The explanation which Captain Mosher offers for the difference, is that the original wave coming in a westerly course across the Pacific was divided when it dashed against Mano Point and one part went to the south; while another went to the north. Evidence of some exceptional disturbance of the waters was felt even at Waipio Gulch on Sunday where the Ke Au Hou was lying.

On Sunday Captain Mosher was lying in his cabin. Suddenly a strong current setting from around the northern end of the island swept down and completely swung the vessel around. It was not the force of a sudden gust of wind which did this but the water, for Captain Mosher sprang out on the deck to observe the cause. He soon discovered that it had been the strong current. Within a short time the vessel had swung back to its former position and no further evidence of the high tide or strong current was felt.

Captain Mosher thought the affair quite peculiar but he paid no further attention to it until he met an old native who had come from Mahukona. This native said that on Saturday, the day preceding the strong current which turned the Ke Au Hou about, the water had "come down" at Mahukona and had swept into his house and inundated his dwelling. Captain Mosher could not learn very much of the details of the sudden rush of waters but from what the native did say it was evident that there had been an exceptional high tide or else a tidal wave had rushed into the shores of Kohala. No reports from any other place were received however by the Ke Au Hou and not until after they had reached here was the real cause of the sudden rise in the waters known to those on the vessel.

This report from the Kohala coast puts an entirely different aspect on the situation. When the Mauna Loa brought the news yesterday that the Kona coast had been touched by the tidal wave, the natural presumption was that the rush of water had been due to some volcanic action in the proximity of that particular section of the western coast. In fact, with even this explanation of the matter, it was regarded as very peculiar that only twenty miles of coast should be reached by the wave while other sections of the coast line should not be visited by it. Now that the Kohala coast seems to have been reached a later time than the Kona coast, it is very likely that the original wave was divided by Mano Point and two different currents sent along to the respective northern and southern coasts. Even the Mauna Loa which was lying round at Punaluu on the other side of the Kau coast felt the swell of the tide on Friday.

The steamers from Kauai this morning report however that no evidence of the tidal wave has been seen on that island.

## CHINESE PLAGUE DECREASING.

Marked Falling Off on Record at Amoy.

According to reports by the Gaelic there has been a marked decrease in the plague at Hongkong and Amoy. At the latter place the decrease has been the most marked. For the two weeks ending July 22, the date that the Gaelic left Hong Kong, there had been 39 cases and 37 deaths at that port. This is a very decided decrease.

At Amoy, which is several hundred miles from Hong Kong, the decrease is reported to be still more marked. Up to a short time ago there were fully 100 cases and nearly as many deaths every day at Amoy. The reports by the Gaelic are to the effect that this average has fallen and while there are still numerous cases about Amoy the death rate is not nearly so great as formerly.

## HOUSES GOING UP.

Purchasers in College Hills are beginning to build; three residences are in course of construction, another begins next week. Plans for others are in the hands of local architects.

## NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

ANNUAL MEETING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

W. G. Irwin is the New President—Reports Read—Talk of a New Hall. Other Routine Matters.

The Chamber of Commerce held its annual meeting at 10 o'clock this morning in the hall over Cassie & Cooke's. The following members were present: President W. F. Allen, Secretary James G. Spencer, F. M. Swanzy, F. A. Schaefer, W. W. Hall, J. B. Atherton, J. J. Eagan, G. J. Waller, E. C. Macfarlane, H. A. Pauwale, C. L. Wient and F. B. Auerbach.

F. L. Waidron was elected to membership. President Allen, for the committee on new quarters, said he had selected a hall on the second floor of the McIntyre building, but had this morning received an offer from Hackett & Company of a room in their new building free of charge. As H. A. Isenberg, who made the offer, was absent it was decided to postpone the matter to the next meeting.

The committee appointed to test the income tax law, Mr. Atherton stated that the Planter's Association had already taken up the matter and, through Smith & Lewis and A. S. Hartwell had already begun test cases. The retaining fee agreed upon was \$1,500, and a fee of \$1,000 was to be paid for each case. The committee recommended that the Planter's Association be left to go ahead but that the Chamber spare the expense. A motion embodying this recommendation passed unanimously.

Annual reports of the treasurer and secretary were read and ordered filed. W. G. Irwin was elected president by unanimous vote. C. M. Cooke was elected vice-president; J. G. Spencer, secretary and treasurer. The following new board of arbitration was elected: C. M. Cooke, J. B. Atherton, F. M. Swanzy, W. F. Allen and F. A. Schaefer.

President Allen called attention to the death of W. C. Wilder, a prominent member of the Chamber. A motion by J. B. Atherton that the secretary write a letter of condolence to the bereaved family carried.

Mr. Swanzy called the attention of the Chamber to the great misfortune recently befalling E. O. Hall & Son and a resolution in oral form expressing the sympathy of the Chamber for the firm, passed.

In leaving the office of president Colonel Allen thanked the members for the honor conferred upon him and the assistance they had given him in the past year.

The matter of a cable was not broached at all, although some of the members had spoken of bringing it up.

## DUELLISTS FINED.

Shigato and Ishi, Japanese were fined \$5 and costs each today by Judge Wilcox for affray. They wanted to fight a duel with knives yesterday afternoon in Kakaako but were arrested.

## RAIDED A DICE GAME.

Deputy High Sheriff Chillingworth and Officer Lon Agnew raided a dice game at an early hour this morning in the billiard parlor, corner of Hotel and Bethel streets. Ten players were caught. They gave the names of E. Harrison, F. Fernandez, J. Maguire, L. Willard, J. Tavash, Lutgert, C. Dean, C. Johnson, Benson and Barney Atwood. Nearly all of them forfeited bail in Judge Wilcox's court this morning and those who did appear were fined \$10 and costs.

## HABEAS CORPUS APPEALS.

The Supreme Court this morning heard the arguments of Attorneys Robertson and Davis in the Pahlia habeas corpus matter. This case presents the question of whether a defendant appeal from a habeas corpus decision of a circuit court. Argument was continued this afternoon.

## A JAP HELD UP.

Last night about 9:30 o'clock, a Japanese was held up on Beretania street by two men, supposed to be hooligans. The cries of the Japanese attracted pedestrians to the scene of the robbery; near C. M. Cooke's residence. The two men escaped in the darkness through Thomas Square.

## WORK FOR IROQUOIS.

The government tug Iroquois, Captain Pond, will not, in all probability, make her regular cruise to the various shoals and islands north west of here, this season. She will drag for the lost anchor of the battleship Oregon however as soon as the weather is good.

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## JAP LABORERS ARRIVE

CAME ON THE GAELIC THIS MORNING.

Eighty-Eight are in the Crowd—All Appear to Be Well Supplied With Money.

Plantation labor ranks gained quite a number of recruits this morning on the Gaelic. All that depends upon the newcomers rejoining the other Japanese on the various plantations is to be passed into the country by the emigration agent. This detachment of Japanese laborers on the Gaelic was not unexpected. It was announced some time ago that a large number would arrive here by that vessel. There present detachment numbers 72 men, 12 women and 3 children. They are said to be the first detachment of several thousand whom the Japanese government will permit to come to this country to work. The crowd all got aboard the vessel at Yokohama. Each had his own ticket and, so far as the steamship people were able to see, they appeared to be acting independently and not to be in charge of any agent or manager which would most likely have been the case had there been any attempt on the part of some emigration agency to have shipped them here. The men are a good strong looking lot and appear to be as hardy and healthy a crowd as has visited these islands in a long time.

Up to noon today Inspector Brown had examined about twenty five percent of the crowd. He found that they are all practically laborers. All had money. Some of them possessed several hundred dollars while others had as low as \$45. This seemed to be the lowest amount possessed. Mr. Brown was unable to say how many were likely to be allowed to enter the country. Every effort will be made to see that the Contract Labor Law is not violated. There were no cases examined however which seemed to be violations of any particular law so none of the candidates were positively rejected. The first examinations will be finished this afternoon. The crowd will be sent to the quarantine station and during their residence on the island, will be further questioned and examined by the emigration officers.

The event of these laborers is regarded as very gratifying. The need for laborers is felt on every plantation in the island and every recruit is hailed with delight. If the present crowd are treated well and like the place they will, in no small degree, influence others of their countrymen to join them. It is said however that more laborers from Japan are expected on the Hong Kong Maru which will reach here on August 12. Only one Korean came on the Gaelic. For the last three steamers there have been no Chinese bound for this port.

## IN THE DRAGON'S HEART.

YOKOHAMA, August 2.—On the medal which the Kaiser will present to the German troops on their return from China, the German eagle is shown with his claws in the Chinese dragon.

## JAPANESE EMIGRANTS.

YOKOHAMA, July 29.—Seventy Japanese emigrants for Hawaii (not bound by contract) will leave Yokohama by the Gaelic on August 2. The departure of contract laborers for the islands has been prohibited since June last year—Japan Gazette.

## MOLOKAI STEAMER SERVICE.

The Board of Health will hold a meeting at 10 o'clock this morning to receive a report from the Hawaiian Islands, as advertised for according to the board's decision at the last meeting. The report of Dr. Shorey, food inspector will be received.

## ALLEGED GAMBLERS CAUGHT.

Detective David Kaapa and posse raided a crowd in a building on Kukui street just back of St. Louis college this afternoon. Twenty-one men were caught and charged with gambling. Most of them are natives.

## SICK PORTO RICAN.

Joe Alvez a Porto Rican boy applied to High Sheriff Brown today for assistance. The boy has been ill and could not work so he left the plantation on Hawaii where he had been employed and came here last Saturday. He had not eaten for two or three days and was nearly famished when he went to the police station. He was given food and will be given medical attendance.

## PERFUMED DERIVISHES.

The Sudanese natives eagerly buy clothes, cotton goods, sugar, perfumes, tea, nails, chains, wire, leather, false jewelry and iron trinkets. Great Britain furnishes the cotton goods, but Germany, Austria and Italy have almost the monopoly of the other articles. Germany does a huge trade in perfumes. A single caravan started off recently with 25,000 francs worth of German accouters for the natives—Geneva La Suisse.

## A DEAD THEME.

The Younger boys, just released from the Minnesota penitentiary, have been employed as salesmen by a tombstone and monument establishment, but they are not to be put forward in the way of sensational advertisement. The Youngers are still, therefore, in a very solemn connection, and the frivolous newspaper paragraphs should let them alone. We stop right here.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

## SEMI-WEEKLY STAR.

Honolulu people who are going abroad can have the Semi-Weekly Star mailed to any address for the small sum of twenty-five cents a month. The Semi-Weekly Star contains all the local news of importance, besides the daily stock quotations are published.

## NEW SHIRTS.

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## MAY NOT BE AGROUND

NOTHING KNOWN ON GAELIC OF THE GLORY.

None of Officers of Passenger Vessel Had Heard of the Reported Loss of British Flagship.

Under date of July 31, the Coast papers published a dispatch from Hong Kong to the effect that the new British battleship Glory, the flagship of the new China squadron, was aground some where between Hong Kong and Shanghai. The warships Eclipse, Daphne and others were reported to have suddenly left Hong Kong and the impression was that they had gone to the aid of the Glory.

Captain Finch of the Gaelic, which arrived this morning from the Orient, says that he had heard nothing of the reported grounding of the Glory up to the time of the departure of the Gaelic from Yokohama. From this news there is a very strong probability that the report of the Glory going aground may prove incorrect. The Gaelic was at Kobe July 31 and she did not leave Yokohama until August 3. This would have been ample time in which to have learned whether the report of the grounding of the Glory was correct. Inasmuch as Captain Finch says he heard of no such mishap to the big battleship, there is excellent reason for believing that the alleged affair did not occur at all.

None of the Japanese Newspapers mention anything of the reported grounding of the Glory and as they have dispatches, later than July 31, the date when the dispatch was sent from Hong Kong to the San Francisco papers it does not seem likely that such an important occurrence as the grounding of a new British battleship would have been overlooked.

## ROWELL FINED TEN DOLLARS

A TARDY JUROR IS MADE TO PUT UP.

Kapiolani Estate Wins the Albertina. Suit—Gear Instructed the Jury to Decide for Defendant.

Judge Gear this morning took the case of Sister Albertina vs. the Kapiolani Estate Company out of the jury's hands, in instructing the jurors, on motion of Attorney Kinney, to bring in a verdict for the defendants. The motion was opposed in a long argument by Attorney Peterson. It was made on the ground that the estate company had shown adverse possession and the plaintiffs had not disproved the claim.

The long argument cost juror W. E. Rowell \$10. The jury was excused for half an hour while the lawyer talked, and the members waited around the court house till Rowell got tired, and he took fifteen minutes off, as he told the court later. During the fifteen minutes the argument ended, and the jury was called into court with Rowell absent.

"I took the chance," said Rowell, after he had apologized to the court and the court had asked him why he left when he knew that the jury might be called any minute.

"The chance will cost you ten dollars," said Judge Gear, when he was on to explain that jurors had been dealt with very leniently but that it was time something was done to compel attendance. "The court and counsel and eleven jurors have been kept waiting for fifteen minutes," said the judge.

Without leaving their vests the jurors appointed A. W. Pearson foreman and rendered a verdict as instructed by the court. Peterson noted exceptions.

The next case on Gear's calendar is another suit of Sister Albertina against the Kapiolani estate. It is also an ejectment suit.

## THE WEATHER.

Weather Bureau, Punaluu, 1 p. m. Wind light northeast; weather clear. Morning minimum temperature: 75; midday maximum temperature, 85; barometer, 30.0; humidity, 65 percent; for gravity; rainfall, 24 hours ending 9 a. m., 0; dew point, 9 a. m., 68; humidity, 9 a. m., 62 percent.

CURTIS J. LIONS, Observer.

## BORN.

DYER—At Honolulu, August 12, 1901, to the wife of W. J. Dyer, a son.

## FIELD MARSHAL WALTERS.

SAIGON, July 31.—Field Marshal von Waldersee called at Algiers on his way from China. He paid a visit to the authorities, proceeded through the town and received a sympathetic welcome.

## COURT TAKES A TRIP.

Judge Gear and a jury, with the court bailiff Ellis and Col. Jones, stenographer, this afternoon went to visit the Manoa valley lands involved in the second suit of Sister Albertina against the Kapiolani Estate. Attorneys Kinney and Peterson made their opening statements to the jury on the spot. Among the jurors are P. C. Jones, B. F. Dillingham and G. H. Robertson.

## WHY BRING UP FUNDAMENTALS?

An upright judge, learned in the law, is respected, whether he is in gown or shirt sleeves, whether he grows whiskers or a mustache or has a smooth-shaven face; whether he wears a wig or goes bald-headed.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

## ICE HOUSE DELICACIES.

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## SPECIAL LABOR MEETING

PLANTERS TO HOLD ONE HERE ON MONDAY.

Opinions Will be Gathered From All Over and a Labor Program Will be Determined Upon.

An extraordinary meeting of the trustees and directors of the Sugar Planters' Association with the managers of the Islands has been called for next Monday morning at 10 o'clock. It is expected that managers from all over will arrive here Saturday and Sunday. The intention was to have the meeting in the hall in the McIntyre building, but it has been found impossible to get that place in shape in time.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss to the fullest extent the labor problem and to come to some general and definite conclusion as to what may be done. Each manager will be asked to give in detail the situation on his respective estate, and will be asked for his opinion as to what kind of new labor should be procured and how it may be gotten.

Heads of the Planter's Association state that there is a general scarcity of labor throughout the group. Heretofore recruiting movements have been largely independent, or not controlled by any organized effort or arrangement. Negroes, for instance, were brought almost solely by Alexander & Baldwin. It is given out that the Maui plantations will tell the special convention that the negro is a bad egg and a good thing to let alone. As far as can be learned there is a preference on Maui, Hawaii and Kauai for Porto Ricans. The matter of Japanese will also be discussed, but that labor cannot be assisted, it having to come from a foreign country.

"The question of Filipino labor will not be discussed at all," said F. A. Schaefer, president of the Sugar Planters' Association, this morning. Mr. Schaefer intimated that the question of whether the status of Filipinos was such that they could be assisted into the Territory would have to be settled at Washington before any serious consideration could be here given to immigration proposals.

The meeting will last one day only and will be held closed doors. It is expected that the whole problem may be resolved into a general program before the day is over.

## THE C. D. BRYANT SAILORS

THEIR CASES UP BEFORE JUDGE ESTEE.

Four Seamen Who Left the Vessel When She Was Afire, Refusing to Help to Save Her.

The cases of the four sailors of the bark C. D. Bryant, charged with refusing to obey the captain's orders when the vessel was burning, were called in United States Judge Estee's court this morning. The trial jury was present, and a large number of witnesses, including Captain Colley of the C. D. Bryant.

Attorney Frank Thompson entered a demurrer on the ground that the information was faulty in that it charged two separate and distinct offenses. It was claimed that the presentment charged desertion as well as willful disobedience of orders, accusing the sailors of offenses under sections 4602 and 4606.

The jurors were excused until 2 o'clock, while the point was argued. United States District Attorney Baird claimed that the alleged second offense was not enough to constitute an accusation, and Assistant District Attorney Dunne, who drew the indictment explained the clauses that were objected to. He declared that section 4602 was so indefinite in its statements that a further history of the alleged crime was necessary under rules of the United States Supreme Court to make the indictment state definitely what the crime charged was.

Judge Estee decided to adjourn court and take the matter under advisement for a few hours. He announced that he would give a decision at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

This afternoon Judge Estee overruled the demurrer and the selection of jurors began at 2 o'clock.

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## TOM CHAN AND HIS WIVES

INTRICACIES OF A CHINESE DIVORCE SUIT.

Defendant Married Two Women in China and Lived With Both Here. One Wants Divorce.

Tom Chan, defendant in a divorce suit that came up before Gear at noon hour today, has quite a family, if the plaintiff is to be believed. He has two wives one of them being the mother of six children and the other the mother of three. The six were in court, with the plaintiff, Ah Sam, who alleges that her husband has failed to provide for her.

Tom Chan's Mormon establishment is in Honolulu, and both wives have lived together with him in happiness until recently, when Ah Sam "flew the coop" and began suit for divorce. It is claimed that Tom Chan had one wife when he first came to Honolulu. He went back to China, and in August, 1889, in Canton, China, he married the woman who asked Judge Gear to give her a divorce. F. M. Brooks represented the plaintiff.

Before the case was called Tom Chan, by his attorney Judge Davidson, filed an answer, in which he brings a counter claim for divorce. He alleges adultery and desertion, and asks that the separation be granted to him instead of to Mrs. Tom Chan number two.

There was another case ahead of the Tom Chan case today, and the matter went over until noon tomorrow. While the matter was being discussed, Mrs. Tom Chan, or Ah Sam, who appears in the legal documents, sat surrounded by children in brilliant clothes, and looked dangers at the alleged polygamist whom she is suing.

The complaint says that there are five children and it was correct when the suit was brought, but there are six now, another having arrived since the suit was begun. The youngest was in court. The infant began to make itself heard at one stage of the proceedings, whereupon one of the well trained youngsters seized a bottle of milk and ran across the court room with it. The bottle was duly applied to the aperture from which the disturbing sounds were coming and quiet was restored so that Judge Gear could continue business.

The case may present some legal intricacies, owing to the alleged double marriages of the defendant. Both of his weddings took place in China, and are declared to be valid Chinese marriages. But the woman who is suing for divorce was made one with Tom by the second ceremony, it is claimed. The suit is therefore an action to divorce a man from what is supposed to be a bigamous marriage and no marriage at all, under American law.

## WANT RAPID TRANSIT.

The residents in the Kailhi district are anxious to have the Rapid Transit line extended to that locality. The Company has denied its willingness to lay the rails providing the Kailhi people take enough bonds to cover the expense. An effort is now being made to take up about \$100,000 worth of the securities.

## BACK FROM MANILA.

YOKOHAMA, August 3.—The U. S. transport Sheridan arrived at Nagasaki from Manila on July 25. She has on board 139 soldiers, who are going home, and will call at Yokohama, where the Governor-General of the Philippines embarks.

## THE PACIFIC CABLE.

SHANGHAI, August 3.—The House of Commons has voted a loan of two million sterling as Great Britain's share of the cost of the Pacific cable.

## A VALUABLE ASSET.

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